





The front of the library changed this year with a new planter donated by Miron Construction.

Music programs such as A Night of Latin Jazz feature artists who discuss their music and its roots in music traditions.

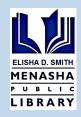
## 2016 Annual Report



Kids can check out these devices to use at home.



This summer's On Your Mark, Get Set, READ! program kept children reading throughout the summer. More than 770 kids participated.

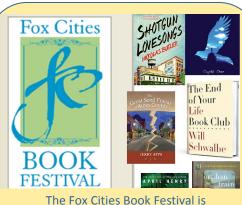


# Elisha D. Smith Public Library

Artists featured on the art wall include local greats such as Phil Sealy and Betty Proper, as well as local school children, and others. Exhibits included Fur, Feathers and Fidelity: Military Mascots (courtesy of the Wisconsin Veterans Museum) and Wisconsin's John Muir: Celebrating the Centennial of the National Park Service (courtesy of the Wisconsin Historical Society.)







The Fox Cities Book Festival is planning its 10th festival.



The library has great Friends (volunteers) who deliver books, hold book sales, and much more.

The library now offers hundreds of free online classes, including college-level, professional development, and personal enrichment courses.

The library collaborates with other city departments to offer programs that children love.





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- Promoting early childhood literacy
- Providing lifelong learning
- Bridging the technology divide
- Building community

#### 2015 Menasha Library Statistics:

448,838 items were checked out 172,854 people visited the library 13,830 people had Menasha library cards 25,899 reference questions were answered 26,565 people used public computers 21,147 people attended library programs

#### **Comparison with other Fox Cities Libraries**

2015 Circulation	Service	Total	Circ. per
_	Pop.*	Circulation	capita
Appleton Public Library	114,798	1,166,697	10.2
Kaukauna Public Library	20,160	161,844	8.0
Kimberly–Little Chute Public Library	28,189	300,367	10.7
Elisha D. Smith Public Library	25,050	427,417	17.1
Neenah Public Library	52,891	895,340	16.9
Oshkosh Public Library	79,464	826,903	10.4
2015 Program Attendance	Service	Program	Attendance
<u>-</u>	Pop.*	Attendance	per capita
Appleton Public Library	114,798	49,230	0.43
Kaukauna Public Library	20,160	11,972	0.59
Kimberly–Little Chute Public Library	28,189	8,930	0.32
Elisha D. Smith Public Library	25,050	21,147	0.84
Neenah Public Library	52,891	31,300	0.59
Oshkosh Public Library	79,464	12,691	0.16

<sup>\*</sup>Service population is determined by the Wisconsin Department of Instruction.

Menasha's service population includes the City of Menasha in Winnebago &
Calumet County as well as the east side of Fox Crossing. [Statistics from our state's
381 public libraries are gathered by WI DPI each year and available on their website.]



### 50 Things @ Your Library in Addition to Books....

- 1. Art, craft, and collectible displays
- 2. Author talks
- 3. Beautiful flower beds
- 4. Bi-lingual story times
- 5. Book character visits
- 6. Book discussions
- 7. Book sales
- 8. Books on CD
- 9. Community newsletter (emailed)
- 10. Computers, Internet access
- 11. Cooking / healthy snack classes
- 12. Craft classes
- 13. Databases packed with information
- 14. Dedicated volunteers
- 15. Displays of collectibles
- 16. Document scanning
- 17. Dog shows
- 18. Downloadable audiobooks
- 19. DVDs & Blu-rays
- 20. eBooks
- 21. Exercise classes
- 22. Expert employment advice
- 23. Fireplace room / solarium / art wall
- 24. Food for fines drives
- 25. Friendly people
- 26. iPads® with fun & learning apps
- 27. Juggling shows
- 28. Kindles®
- 29. Launchpads®
- 30. Legal help
- 31. Magazines/newspapers
- 32. Magic shows
- 33. Meeting spaces
- 34. Menasha history materials
- 35. Movie showings
- 36. Music CDs
- 37. Music programs
- 38. Online classes (Gale Courses®)
- 39. Online magazines (Flipster®)
- 40. Photocopier, FAX service, printers
- 41. Piano for recitals
- 42. Playaways®
- 43. Podcast talks with local leaders
- 44. Projector to check out
- 45. Reading programs with prizes
- 46. Rokus®
- 47. Story times for babies/preschoolers
- 48. Test proctoring
- 49. WiFi Hotspots to check out
- 50. WiFi throughout the library